

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THERE will be NO COMPETITION TO-MORROW, the Range having been lent.

MOWBRAY'S, NORTH COTE.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1900.

JUBILEE LODGE.

OF INSTRUCTION.

THE REGULAR MEETING of the above

Lodge will be held in the FREEMASONS

HALL, Zetland Street, on MONDAY, the 3rd

instant, at 8 for 8.30 p.m. precisely. When a

paper will be read by Wor. Bro. G. J. W.

KING, P.D.G.R. "On Freemasonry and

Friendly Societies." Visiting Brethren M.M.

are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1900.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO

STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the rate of 8 per

Cent of \$1.20 per share, declared at the

Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders

held this day, will be PAYABLE at the

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION on and after FRIDAY, the 2nd

February, 1900.

Shareholders are requested to apply to the

Office of the Company for WARRANTS.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

T. ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1900.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"FORMOSA"

Captain Douglas, will be despatched for the

above ports, on SUNDAY, the 4th instant,

at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LARRAIE & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1900.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAICHING"

Captain Davis, will be despatched for the

above ports, on SUNDAY, the 4th instant,

at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LARRAIE & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1900.

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's New Steamship

"DIAMANTE"

Captain R. W. Almond, will be despatched for the

above port, on TUESDAY, the 6th instant,

at 5 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the

excellent accommodation provided by this

steamer. She is fitted throughout with Electric

Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1900.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON.

THE Company's Steamship

"TERKEN"

D. Davies, Commander, will be despatched for the

above on WEDNESDAY, the 14th March.

For Freight, &c., apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1900.

"SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS."

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, SINGAPORE AND

SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"RADNORSHIRE"

Captain Hadley, having arrived from the

above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby

informed that their goods are being landed

at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong

and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon and stored at Consignees

Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.

IMPORTERS OF HIGH-CLASS

SHERRIES.

Superior Pale Dry.

dinner wine, Green Seal

Capsule - \$10.80

MANZANILLA PALE

NATURAL SHERRY, White

Capsule - 12.00

Superior Old Dry.

PALE NATURAL SHERRY, Red

Seal Capsule - 12.00

VERY SUPERIOR OLD

PALE DRY, choice old wine,

White Seal Capsule - 14.40

EXTRA SUPERIOR OLD

PALE DRY, very finest quality,

Black Seal Capsule - 20.40

and "C" are excellent dinner

Wines and suitable for invalids and

delicate stomachs. D and E are

delicate Wines of a very superior

quality. All are true Nerves Wines.

Sample bottles and smaller quanti-

ties will be supplied at proportionate

wholesale rates.

We only guarantee our Wines and

Spirits to be genuine when bought

direct from us, in the Colony or from

our authorised Agents at the Coast

Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1846.

DEATH.

On the 24th of January, at Finsbury, Sweden,

the wife of JOHN ERIC CARL PETER, aged 30.

MARRIAGE.

On the 2nd instant, at

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, by the Right

Reverend the Bishop of Victoria, D.D., assisted

by the Rev. R. F. Campbell, M.A., ERNEST

HAMILTON SHARP, bachelor-at-law, son of

Edmund Hamilton Sharp of Japan, to SARAH

SHIMMUR (née Lily), daughter of the late Roger

Campbell of Stoneleigh, Tunbridge Wells,

Kent.

On the 24th January, at Shanghai, WILLIAM

A. D. COOPER, M.D., aged 34 years.

THE Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1900.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

THE WAR.

From the very beginning of the war in South

Africa appears to have brought us nothing

but reverses. The few successes which have

been attained have, in almost every instance,

been followed by a disaster if not an undeni-

able defeat and one is growing to be positively

optimistic when news comes of any advance

made or advantage gained. One wishes to

believe it but fears to do so. The latest

disappointment is contained in the Reuters

telegram which we publish to-day reporting

that the relief of Mafeking has not yet been

accomplished. Still we are pleased to see

that the public are still of opinion that

the situation should be turned on to the bitter end.

In Parliament the same dogged spirit of

perseverance is manifest and there can be

no doubt that the nation will put forth

its best efforts which must, ultimately, cul-

minate in victory. We sincerely trust that

the darkest hour before the dawn has not

yet been reached and that we have now

only to wait for the dawn of a new day.

It is a relief to hear that the war to

be fought so much from home are apparent

and that the hands of our generals

are not yet tired. Indeed it has been stated

that Lord Roberts only accepted the sur-

rendering command upon condition of being

well and absolutely free hand and we

trust that the soon as he has had time

to thoroughly grasp the situation he will

be able to rectify some of our defeats and

reverses of the past weeks. Of one thing

Russian support? It is hardly likely that

Russia would go so far as to promise support

unless assured of an adequate *quid pro quo* so

soon as the Dowager's proteges firmly seated

upon the Dragon Throne, and it will be well

for Sir CLAUDE MACDONALD to keep his eyes

open in order to prevent British interests

suffering when the time comes for Russia to

be paid. Now, too, we can most probably

attribute the reason of LA HONG-CHANG'S ap-

pointment to the Viceroyalty of the Two

KWANS. He is undoubtedly one of the

cleverest men of China and doubtless

the Empress Dowager forced him and con-

sidered it best to have him safely out of the

way before the machinery was put in motion

for the accomplishment of the late move.

That there will be a revolution in China as

the result of the deposition of KUANG HSUEH

we doubt. The country is certainly ripe for

revolt and plenty of men would be found

ready to flock to the standards of rebellion

once it was raised, but we very much doubt

if a leader capable of organizing matters on

a sufficiently large scale would be forth-

coming. There is no man that we know

of who would be able to maintain order

amongst the heads of the different bands

and so prevent a revolution from de-

generating into a mere series of looting

expeditions. KANG YU-WEI might perhaps

take the lead, but he is not the man that is

wanted. He is not sufficiently strong of

purpose nor could he conduct military

operations and keep the rabble in order.

Then too the Chinamen's love of personal

gain is always against his proving a true

patriot. We do not think that a sufficiently

disinterested man could be found to lead a

revolution for the good of the country. In

all probability such a large proportion of the

revolutionary funds would stick to the hands

of the leaders that the effort would die of

starvation long before anything of a lasting

nature had been accomplished. If a revo-

lution is to come and be successful it will

need a second Chinese Gordon to be found to

conduct the enterprise, and Chinese Gordons

are not to be found more than once in a

generation. It is indeed a pity that some man

with the attributes of GORDON or RALPH BAKER

is not forthcoming at the present time to steer

the revolutionary party aright, but we fear

that even were such to be the case the "jeal-

ousy of the Powers" would result in his efforts

for the good of China being brought to

naught. To succeed without some Power

intervening such a man would have to own

allegiance to every Power interested in China

and an Anglo-American-French-German-

Italian-Japanese-Russian has not yet come

to the front.

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

Casualties.

London, January 30th.

General Buller's casualties from the 21st

to 24th instant, exclusive of those at Spionkop,

which are still mainly not received amount

to 23 killed and 278 wounded.

RUSSIA.

Dr. Leyds is going to St. Petersburg.

The Russian Bank has advanced to the

Persian Government 22½ million roubles at

5 per cent, with which to discharge all exist-

ing foreign obligations on the undertaking

that Persia will incur no fresh foreign loan.

This practically binds Persia to Russia

politically and financially.

OPENING OF PARLIAMENT.

Parliament has been opened. The Queen's

speech chiefly refers to the South African

war and says:—Her Majesty is convinced

that Parliament will shrink from no outlay to

place defensive preparations on a level with

the responsibilities of so great an Empire,

nor release its solicitude for the efficiency of

the navy and coast defences when several

other nations are projecting naval pre-

parations.

THE WAR.

Another Reverse.

London, January 31st.

The Boers report that they encountered

the British at Crocodile River and retired

but being reinforced, repulsed the British.

Intimations.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ELEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Building, on TUESDAY, the 6th February, 1900, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 27th January, to TUESDAY, the 6th February, (both days inclusive) during which period NO Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to
The Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Limited,
Agents for
The Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1900. [75b]

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.
THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, Pedder Street, at NOON, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th of February, to receive a Statement of the Company's Account to the 31st December, 1899, and the Report of the General Managers.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 31st instant to the 7th February, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th January, 1900. [108b]

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Limited, will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central, on THURSDAY, the 8th day of February, 1900, at NOON, when the SUBJOINED RESOLUTIONS which were passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 23rd of January, 1900, will be submitted for Confirmation.

RESOLUTIONS.
1. "That the Capital of the Company be increased to \$2,000,000 by the creation and issue of 50,000 New Shares of \$20 each."

2. "That the Commission of the General Managers be reduced to 10 per cent, and that the figure '8' in the Sixth paragraph of Article XI of the Articles of Association of the Company be struck out and the figure '5' substituted therefor."

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1900. [121b]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation, will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 17th day of February, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1899.

By order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 24th January, 1900. [105b]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of the Company, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the 26th February, 1900, at 3 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1899.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to 26th February, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1900. [127b]

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY THIRD ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company, will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, Pedder Street, on THURSDAY, the 1st day of March, 1900, at 12 o'clock (NOON), to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1899, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th February to the 1st March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1900. [129b]

Notice of Firms.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

DURING the TEMPORARY ABSENCE from the Colony of the Undersigned, Mr. E. C. LANE will SIGN for the Secretary.

By order of the Board,
DOUGLAS JONES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1900. [120b]

NOTICE.

THE WANCHAI GODOWNS.

WE the Undersigned have This Day been appointed AGENTS for the above Godowns, all Applications for Storage of Goods should be made to us.

T. RAUCHENSTEIN & CO.,
12, Becclesfield Arcade.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1900. [120a]

THE WANCHAI GODOWNS.

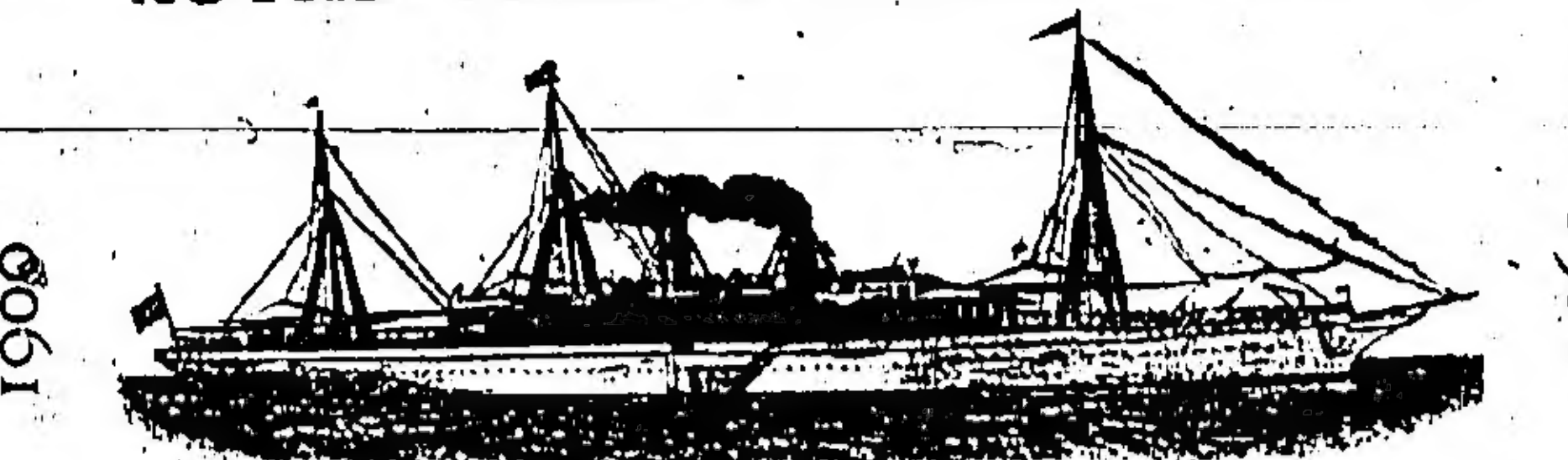
WE have This Day appointed Messrs. T. RAUCHENSTEIN & CO. to be AGENTS for the above Godowns, all Applications for Storage of Goods should be made to them.

TANG LAP TING,
MOK KUN HUI,
MOK YEUK LIM.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1900. [121b]

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.



SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.)

Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPEROR OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R. ...WEDNESDAY, 14th February.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R. ...WEDNESDAY, 14th March.

EMPEROR OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R. ...WEDNESDAY, 4th April.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific Journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PACIFIC TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD.

Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PACIFIC STEAMSHIPS (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.

For further information, Maps, Guide, Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Pedder Street.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1900. [3]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.

VIA SHANGHAI INLAND SEA, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA, IN CONNECTION WITH

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

Glenagh... [3750] R. D. Jones [Feb. 10]

ALSO

FOR PORTLAND, OREGON, IN CONNECTION WITH

OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Aberrig... [3777] J. Murray... [Feb. 13]

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by the Line, HONGKONG TO LONDON £47.

Excellent accommodation. First-class Tables, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESS carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK £41.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA £38.

Rates of Passage to other Points on application. Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the Freight Agent, Tacoma, Wash., or Portland, Or. (whichever may be the destination of the Steamer).

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1900. [4]

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH

THE ATCHESON TOPEKA & SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) ... Tuesday, 13th Feb., at Noon.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) ... Saturday, 10th Mar., at Noon.

Cyprie (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) ... Thursday, 5th April, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"GAELIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA & HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 13th February, at NOON.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan en route to sailing.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, China and Japan.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1900. [28]

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

NOTICE.
NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBT.
Neither the CAPTAINS, the AGENTS, nor OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crew of the following Vessels during their stay at Hongkong Harbours:—
BITTERN, British bark, Atkins—Siemssen

OPIMUM QUOTATIONS.		
Hongkong, 2nd February.		
New Patna	950	per che
New Benares	977	"
New Malwa	960	per pic
Old Malwa	950/960	"
Persian, Oily, cash	640/650	"
Persian, paper tied	875	"
(Allowance, 100 lbs.)		

Ld. \$ 5 00
 Tebrau Planting Co.,
 Ld. \$ 4 50

BENJAMIN, KELLY & POTTS,
 Share Brokers.
 Telegraph Address—"Rialto."
 Telephone No. 148.

Algerine, 1,000 tons, 6 guns, 1,100
Comdr. E. J. W. Slade, Hongkong.
Aurora, British cruiser, 5,600 tons, Capt. E.
Bayly, Manila.
Barfleur, 1st class battleship, 13,000 tons,
guns, 13,163 h.p. Captain Hon. S. C.
Colville, C.B., Hongkong.

Slizik, Russian torpedo boat, 33 tons, 1 gun, 4
110 h.p., 16 knots.
Skorpion, Russian torpedo boat, 33 tons, 1 gun,
220 h.p., 16 knots.
Sootikhenia, Russian torpedo boat, 87 tons, 4 guns,
976 h.p., 19 knots.
Sierlaid, Russian torpedo boat, 33 tons, 1 gun,
230 h.p., 16 knots.

For Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama,
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